



WELCOME TO Holy Cross & St Patrick Parish

Served by the Society of the Divine Saviour – The Salvatorians

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Parish Office: Tuesday & Wednesday – 9.00 to 3pm. Thursday 9.00 to 2.30pm

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY YEAR A Ps1 15th November, 2026 (Pg 155)

Today, the Knights of St Columba gather in faith and remembrance as we honour our deceased brothers. We thank God for their lives, commitment and service to the Church and community. May their example continue to inspire us, and may the Lord grant them eternal rest.

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells the parable of the talents, reminding us of the importance of using wisely the gifts God has entrusted to us. We may have different abilities and opportunities, but each of us has something valuable to offer.

God does not expect us to be the same; He asks us to be faithful and generous with what we have received. Let us not bury our talents through fear or complacency, but use them to serve God and one another.

May we remain faithful in our calling and one day hear the Lord say: "Well done, good and faithful servant."

Holy Cross: Saturday before 5.30pm Mass **CONFESSIONS** ***St Patrick***: Saturday after 10.00 Mass

Holy Cross | *Mass intentions* | *St. Patrick*

17.30 Welfare of Mary Mulholland	**Sat. 14th November** **THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY**	**The Blessed Virgin Mary** **10.00 Those buried in Woolwich Cemetery AND Eufemio & Paulina D'Souza RIP**
8.45 Welfare of Maura Nagle	**Sun. 15th November** **THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY** **World Day of the Poor**	**10.00 Deceased brothers of the Knights of St Columba, Forgotten Souls of Purgatory, Caroline Alayo & Livina Philips-Euba RIP AND George Banzi RIP** **18.00 Barney McBrearty RIP** *anniversary*
10.00 Bicky happy holiday & safe journey	**Mon. 16th November** **FERIA**	**9.00 Alba Pinto birthday intentions, Nora & Bernard McBrearty RIP AND George Banzi RIP**
NO MASS	**Tues. 17th November** **FERIA**	**NO MASS**
10.00 Joan Boyd RIP	**Wed. 18th November** **FERIA**	**9.00 Ellen, Mary Sweeney RIP & deceased relatives & friends, Hana Gjelaj RIP** *6 months* **AND George Banzi RIP**
NO MASS	**Thur. 19th November** **FERIA**	**10.00 Requiem Mass Antonita Fernandes**
10.00 George Banzi RIP	**Fri. 20th November** **FERIA**	**9.00 Get well Vera Turner, Eileen, David, Michael & Mary Ollin RIP AND George Banzi RIP**
17.30 Cade's 3rd birthday	**Sat. 21st November** **OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING of the UNIVERSE**	**The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary** **10.00 John Downey RIP, Antonita Fernandes RIP AND George Banzi RIP**
8.45 Youth of the Parish	**Sun. 22nd November** **OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING of the UNIVERSE** **YOUTH SUNDAY**	**10.00 Justina Okwuono, Livina Olawole and Kingsley Peiris RIP** (LA) **AND George Banzi RIP** **18.00 Wellbeing of Lauren Bell**

Holy Father's Prayer Intention for November: For the proper use of wealth – we pray that not succumbing to the temptation of selfishness, it may always be put at the service of the common good and solidarity of those who have less

Please note – notices for the Parish Newsletter, with Father's prior permission, should be sent to the Parish Office by Wednesday at 12 noon (by email, 'phone or printed copy). We will do our best to include items, but cannot always guarantee this.

MASS INTENTIONS

can be requested by 'phone/email or using the special envelopes at the back of church/Chapel.

*PLEASE GIVE **AT LEAST 2 WEEKS' NOTICE** FOR SPECIFIC DATES*

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tues. 17th November – 6.30pm Churches Together at East Plumstead Baptist Church, Griffin Road

Wed. 18th November – Aid to the Church in Need RED WEDNESDAY – *10th anniversary*

5.30pm Mass at St George's Cathedral

Thurs. 19th November 7.30pm – Parish Theatre trip to Jesus Christ Superstar

Sat. 21st November 9.30 to 4pm – National Conference on 'Migration, Integration & Human Dignity' at Our Lady of the Rosary, Burnt Oak Lane, DA15 8LW *Tickets £12*

Sun. 22nd November – 9.00 CONFIRMATION CLASSES

Meeting for Parents after 10.15 Mass

FATIMA SYMPOSIUM 22nd November (London)

Mass, Rosary & Talks on the Fatima message

worldfatima-englandwales.org.uk to register

12th December – 1 to 3pm Senior Citizens' Christmas Party – St Marks & St Margarets, Plumstead Common

15th to 20th December – The Nativity Journey at Wintershall – see poster for booking & details

On this WORLD DAY of the POOR, you are encouraged to make a special effort, if you can, to donate tinned & packet foods to the

GREENWICH FOODBANK

TINNED MEAT & FISH, TINNED POTATOES, JUICE, ESSENTIAL TOILETRIES tinned vegetables - packet foods, biscuits, sweets and chocolates - cooking oil - long-life milk and fruit juice – rice, pasta & noodles– table condiments - feminine hygiene products & nappies

Thank you

Guides (girls aged 10 – 14)
Brownies (girls aged 7 – 10)
Mondays 6 – 7.30pm
For more information on joining please contact:
Tatayana – 07921500555 ***Natasha – 07941967414***

Please pray for those who are unwell*: Michael Von Bock, Charles, Mary Mulholland, Maura Nagle, Norma Barrett,** Martin Conneally, Roseanne & Pauline McPadden, Maureen Cunney, Sheila Cox, Margaret Gallagher, Daniel Picola, Carol Goodenough, Eileen Paterson, Margaret Ollin, Annita Molloy, Patricia Feehily, Pat Cullen, Christopher Nnabike, Yolanda & Louise Perera, Bridie Maguire, Bob Kapp, Jo O'Connell, Dave Kent, , Chris Britto, Eileen McPadden, Nuala McGovern, Aurora Miranda, Sarah, Sven & Lloyd, Jimmy Gjelaj, Pressie Fernandez, Betty O'Donoghue, Marianne Ali, Trevor Brown, John McPartlin, Sarah Young & family, Irene D'Souza, Alex Pollock, Kevin Murphy, Susannah Brown, Henry Agbadamusi, Dave Orrel, Stephen Brown, Erin Johnston, Eddie White, ***for those who have died, and those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Steven Sweeney, Pat Davis, Mary Bane, May Stapleton, Bronislaw Roguski

Offertory: **8th November £888**
Archbishop's Appeal £358.20 *Thank you*

15th November – Senior Citizens' Christmas Party
22nd November – Catholic Youth Services
6th December – Salvatorian Mission Appeal

READERS ***St Patrick***

15th November: 10.15 Guides/Brownies **18.00** N Brown
22nd November: 10.15 Youth Mass **18.00** L Keys

Holy Cross

14th Nov: 17.30 Brian **15th Nov: 8.45** Jason
21st Nov: 17.30 mike **22nd Nov: 8.45** Ian

CHILDREN'S LITURGY *St Patrick children under 10 years*

15th November – Ademiyo, Carlien; Emma, Lisa
22nd November – Parish Youth Mass



The **Sanctuary Lamp** will burn for Mark Cadman at Holy Cross and Ann Olofinbinu's birthday thanksgiving at St Patrick.

*The **2027** Sanctuary Lamp list is now available at the back of church.*

NOVEMBER is the month of the Holy Souls

You are invited to write the names of your deceased relatives and friends and place them in the wooden box, which will be on the altar throughout the month. Holy Mass will be offered for them at the end of November.

REMEMBRANCE

Poppies are on sale at the back of church in remembrance of those who have given their lives in wars – proceeds to the Royal British Legion



CONFIRMATION 2027

The deadline for return of application forms has been extended to the **22nd November**. Please return forms to the Parish Office. Classes will start promptly at 9.00 on the 22nd November and there will be a meeting for parents after the 10.15 Mass

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2027

For children who worship at Holy Cross or St Patrick churches, aged 8 or over, who DO NOT attend St Patrick's School. Application forms are available at the back of church and should be returned to the Parish Office by the 6th December.

Cheques payable to: **RCAS PLUMSTEAD** ***For security reasons, we would ask you to speak to FATHER FOR BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS IF YOU WISH TO SET UP A STANDING ORDER If you pay tax, please join the Parish Gift Aid scheme, which earns an extra 25p for every £1 you give at no extra cost to you. Forms available at the back of church.*** Thank you